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REPLY TO  
ATTN OF: 2-SA-ER

DATE: August 8, 1974

SUBJECT: Ventron Demolition Site

TO: File

On this date, I visited the Ventron demolition site. At the site, I met with Mr. Faille and Mr. Longstreet of the New Jersey State Department of Environmental Protection.

I visited the site to observe any movement of materials and general site condition. Upon entering the property, I went to the office and notified them that I was on the property. Mr. Lepre walked outside with me, and I commented I hoped he was not moving piles of construction dirt and rubble piled up together. He said he was as per verbal agreements. I advised that the material referred to in verbal agreement was construction debris. The company is leveling the area and removing layers of soil, much of it possibly being contaminated. Surface area identification is being destroyed.

Mr. Longstreet and then Mr. Faille arrived and we proceeded to the land behind the Ventron site. This site has been used as a dump for barrels, construction debris and other miscellaneous materials (not Ventron debris from demolition). Two samples were taken: a sediment by me and some rocks by Mr. Faille.

I called Charles Hoffman (lawyer) and asked him if we could get an injunction to stop the company from removing this surface soil and loss of identity of sample site. He looked into the matter and called me back. Injunction only if:

- (a) irreparable damage being done to Berrys Creek;
- (b) runoff being increased from scraping.

I said I could not testify to any of these things. During the day, I again asked Mr. Longstreet for copy of minutes from meeting of July 1, 1974. Still no record of written agreement.

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